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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR INSPECTOR

MIGUEL ANTONIO RODRIGUEZ PAREDES, POLICIA TECNICA JUDICIAL

REF: STATE 171432

1. I AM NOT SURE I UNDERSTAND REFTEL OR THE REASON FOR THE NEGATIVE RESPONSE. IS THE DEPARTMENT AWARE THAT THE GOV IS PREPARED TO PICK UP ALL THE COSTS OF INSPECTOR RODRIGUEZ'S TRAINING INCLUDING TRAINING EXPENSE? WE HAVE BEEN OPERATING ON A BSIC PRINCIPLE THAT A SOCIETY WITH VENEZUELA'S RESOURCES CAN AFFORD TO CONTRIBUTE SUBSTANTIALY TO OUR COMMON NARCOTICS INTERDICTION EFFORTS. WE WERE HAPPY TO SEE THIS PARTICULAR GOV REQUEST WHICH WE INTERPRETED AS A VENEZUELAN ACCEPTANCE OF THIS PRINCIPLE. WE ARE ANTICIPATING OTHER SIMILAR REQUESTS. IT ALSO FIT NICELY INTO THE MISSION'S CURRENT EFFORTS IN ATTEMPTING TO ESTABLISH A REIMBURSABLE AID RELATIONSHIP WITH THE VENEZUELAN AND WE ARE ANTICIPATING AGREEMENTS IN SEVERAL FIELD WHERE SUBSTANTIAL NUMBERS OF VENEZUELAN TECHNICIANS WILL BE TRAINED IN THE U.S. AT VENEZUELA'S EXPENSE.

2. WE CAN EXPECT THAT OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE POLICIA TECNICA JUDICIAL, WHICH IS THE KEY NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, WILL BE ADVERSELY

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AFFECTED. MORE SERIOUS WILL BE THEIR PUZZLE-

MENT AS TO OUR INABILITY TO SUPPLY WHAT THEY ARE
WILLING TO PAY FOR. IF THE OBJECTION IS A PHILO-
SOPHICAL ONE RELATING TO THE PROPOSED ATTACHMENT OF
INSPECTOR RODRIGUEZ TO A DEA FIELD OFFICE FOR
ON-THE-JOB TRAINING, WE CONSIDER THAT THIS WOULD BE
EASIER TO EXPLAIN. PLEASE ADVISE.
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